

STORMS DEMORALIZE RAILWAY SCHEDULE

TERRIFIC BLIZZARD SWEEPS ONTARIO, MANITOBA,
CENTRAL AND WESTERN STATES—TELEGRAPH
LINES CRIPPLED—CHICAGO CUT OFF

Waterloo, Sask., Feb. 2.—One of the worst storms of the season has just passed over this district, all trains are either blocked or are running at a snail's pace. The storm was accompanied by terrific weather. The blizzard arrived here seven o'clock and is still at the station waiting for the auxiliary to assist in helping the snow plow out of a fourteen foot drift. Between here and Vernon, one of here, the engine had a head on collision in which an engine and a car were wrecked and the section gang have gone to clear the track.

Trains Behind Time.
Brandon, Feb. 6.—The difficulties the railways had with the snow in this territory last week is shown in the experience of the C.N.R. train running from here to Calgary. Some 200 miles west of Russell, the Calder train left here Monday morning late and did not get back until Sunday morning. The train was making a trip of 205 miles. The train went out again this morning and it is expected that it will get to its destination in better time. The considerable snow shovelling along the line has been done in the last few days. All trains running are still

away behind time.
Telegraph Service Crippled.
Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 6.—Telegraph service over the Mississippi valley extending from the Dakotas as far east as Toledo, Ohio, today is crippled as a result of the sleet and snow which swept over the country Sunday and the wires of the Associated Press and the Commercial Cable are being operated under great difficulties and they threaten to go down any minute.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—Wires leading into Chicago are sagging under heavy covering of sleet and snow. Trains in Illinois, Ohio and part of Missouri are running on delayed schedule. Minnesota traffic suffered the least from the storm.

Blizzard Strikes Toronto.
Toronto, Feb. 6.—The worst blizzard of the winter struck Toronto last night and today. The snow is falling heavily and the streets are having a hard fight to keep running, while vehicular and pedestrian traffic is greatly impeded. The trains east and west are running late, their crews reporting heavy going on all lines.

C.P.R. LANDS TAXABLE AS SOON AS DISPOSED OF BY COMPANY

ERROR IN PRESS DESPATCH ON DECISION IN LAND
CASE GIVES WRONG IMPRESSION—SYDNEY
WOODS, K. C. EXPLAINS TRUE MEANING

In explanation of the error which occurred in the press despatches from London regarding the decision in the C.P.R. land case, Sydney Woods, K.C., who acted for the province in the action, gave out the following statement below, this morning. The despatches stated that the C. P. R. exemption of twenty years would run from the date on which the lands were granted to the settler. This is a mis-statement, since the exemption will run from the time that patents are issued to the C.P.R. As soon as the land is disposed of by the railway company, it becomes taxable, and remains taxable for all time.

The Western Canada Land Company, who hold some 100,000 acres of C. P. R. land, are now paying taxes, and have done so since they took over the land from the C. P. R. Mr. Woods' statement follows:

In the Associated Press dispatch of the Privy Council judgment in the C.P.R. case, it is stated that the Privy Council held that "unoccupied C.P.R. lands were not taxable until twenty years after the date on which the patent to the settler over should there be a delay of many years on his part in taking out these letters patent." This statement is quite incorrect and it should be made clear that the recent decision in no way affects the liability of any settler to pay taxes provided he occupies the land. Whether that land be C.P.R. land or homestead land or any other kind of land, the exemption of land is assessable as an occupant of the same under our law. But apart from this, the important thing to remember is that the C. P. R. exemption ceases to be operative just as soon as the land is occupied whether the patent has been taken out for it or not. The language of the exemption clause is to the effect that the lands of the C. P. R. are exempt from taxation for twenty years after the grant thereof from the Crown "unless they are sooner sold or occupied." So that as soon as anybody occupies C.P.R. land not only does he become liable as the occupant thereof but the land itself becomes liable to assessment, and even although the purchaser from the C.P.R. under agreement for sale may abandon his agreement and leave the land so that it reverts to its former unoccupied state nevertheless such land still continues to be assessable against the C.P.R. It is very important to remember that this decision, namely that the railway company were assessable in respect of lands that had been occupied and abandoned by their purchasers, has been concurred by the Privy Council and they have paid to the province the arrears of taxes assessed in respect of his kind of land and are continuing to do so. This concession which the government forced from the railway company as the result of winning the actions that have been dismissed is a very important one and a very substantial gain to the province.

PREMIERS WILL ATTEND.

London, (C.A.P.), Feb. 6.—The C. A. P. has high authority for stating that the only persons in the Dominion who will receive invitations to the coronation will be the Premier of the Dominion and Premiers of Provinces.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

Liverpool, (C.A.P.), Feb. 6.—John Rogers and company report here today that trade in the Birkenhead market was very slow but firm and there was no alteration in Saturday quotations which were for States steers from 12 1/2 to 13 cents per pound.

TWO APPLICATIONS.

Two applications for the position of street railway superintendent, and two for the position of power house superintendent, have been received by the commissioners from local men. It has been decided to confine the applications for the time being to local men. If suitable men cannot be found locally, advertisements will be inserted in outside papers. The applications will not be considered until late in the afternoon. Applicants will be called upon to meet the commissioners at a board meeting on Wednesday or Friday.

NOTED CANADIAN AUTHOR IN CITY

Is En Route to Yukon, Where He
Will Write Story With Cu-
ban Setting

Like any new novel that pictures conditions of life on the frontier as they really are, Robert W. Service's book, "The Trail of '98" has been highly criticized. But like any other book of such a nature, it has been widely read, having had a circulation of something over 20,000 copies. Does the book exaggerate conditions as they were in the Yukon at the time of the gold rush? That is one of the big questions the public is asking today.

Robert Service, the author, who is today in Edmonton, gives through the columns of the Capital, a direct answer to that question.

"No," said Mr. Service, talking to a Capital reporter this morning, "there is not the least bit of exaggeration in the book. You can rest assured of that."

"My whole process in writing the book was one of elimination. I had so much material at my command that I was compelled to cut out a great deal of it. There were things that I cut out of the book, much stronger than anything I left in."

"My idea in writing 'The Trail of '98' continued Mr. Service, who is a guest at the Hotel York, "was to give a true picture of the Yukon, before the public as I believe they had never been before. The Yukon was a very different place then, a scrappy way before by many authors, but they had never been made the subject of a novel, and the conditions are not exaggerated, although some of the characters are fictitious, including the heroine."

Mr. Service will leave tonight over the C.N.R. to visit his mother and brothers who reside on homesteads a short distance out of Manville, sixty miles east of Edmonton. The author will shortly return to the Yukon, where he will write a second novel, the scenes of which will be laid in the Yukon.

"Conditions are in a turmoil position in Cuba," said Mr. Service. "The natives would like to start a revolution that they are afraid that the United States would step in and crush the island, which would very probably occur."

OPEN PROVINCIAL ASYLUM IN APRIL

Over 100 Patients Will Be
Brought to New Institution
From Brandon

Hon. A. J. McLean, provincial secretary, will return from the south today, and will leave for the east in a few days, to look for a superintendent for the new provincial insane asylum, at Public, which is to be opened in April. Mr. McLean some time ago visited the east for the purpose of organizing the new asylum. It is likely that the appointment of a superintendent will be made on the return of Mr. McLean from the east.

The Provincial Asylum will be a charge of the Provincial Asylum, when it is completed. These patients have been sent from Alberta, and will be sent from Manitoba, Saskatchewan and the Northwest Territories government as soon as possible. These patients will practically fill the capacity of the new asylum, which will accommodate for about 150 patients. The government, it is expected, will shortly consider the advisability of establishing a separate system of treating patients in connection with the asylum, which will greatly increase the facility.

PALL MALL GAZETTE'S VIEWS ON AGREEMENT

Contents That Ratification Will Make
Canada a Tool of the American
Trusts

London, (C.A.P.), Feb. 6.—The Pall Mall Gazette says: "It is highly significant that in the Dominion of Wales, the intellectual activity of the Dominion, both parties are viewing the reciprocity agreement with rising interest and anxiety."

Canada must bid a "Long farewell to all her energies," and relate into a state of complete impotence, provincialism as the handmaid of American trusts and the contributor to the fifty first flag which will make the continent.

Canera Men in Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 6.—Several hundred members of the National Camera Association, who are on a tour of inspection of the country, arrived in Milwaukee today to attend their annual meeting and to hold the first of a series of lectures which will be held in the Auditorium and will continue through the greater part of the week. Governor Eliot of Minnesota and several other men of note of the programme for addresses.

Eastern League Meeting.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 6.—In response to the call of President Edward Barrow the club owners of the Eastern Baseball League assembled here today to discuss the schedule of games for the coming season.

TELEGRAPH NEWS

Happenings in the World at
Large Boiled Down for Busy
Readers

ALBERTA.
Preached 8000 Sermons.
Calgary, Feb. 6.—The grand record of having preached 8,000 sermons and having had charge of 10 separate churches in various parts of Ontario, Mr. J. Langford, of Hamilton, celebrated the fifty-fourth anniversary of his becoming a preacher, in his twentieth church, Central Methodist, here today.

He is seventy-five years of age, was ordained fifty years ago, and before preparing for holy orders was in the fifth Hussars.

DOMINION.

Canadian Banks Lost.
Toronto, Feb. 6.—A special from New York, the New York Times, says: "Canadian banks, chief stockholder in the Carnegie Trust Co., which closed its doors a month ago, and his friends, in addition to \$2,400,000 obtained on notes from Trust company, borrowed at least twice as much from New York and Canadian banks, is due to be paid to the Canadian banks for several weeks. He is said to have made startling disclosures."

Blizzard at Brandon.
Brandon, Feb. 6.—A special from the C.N.R. through train from the west which arrived here this evening nine hours late, told of a terrible blizzard in the west, where the train lost three in their miles. The wind was so strong and the drifting snow so heavy that it was almost impossible to make any headway against the blizzard waves. Here it was very clear and cold.

Minimizes Impotence.

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—Attorney-General Turner was informed of the decision in the C.P.R. taxation case by the Canadian Association of Free Traders. He would not give any definite statement on the matter without consideration of the judgment, but he was inclined to maintain its importance and said that the amount of unoccupied C.P.R. lands in the province was no large now and was constantly decreasing as additional lands were taken out. The decision of their lordships, he remarked, was that, of course he would go no further without closer consideration of the judgment.

Recent in Hinchinbrook.

Kinross, Feb. 6.—A special from the C.N.R. through train from the west which arrived here this evening nine hours late, told of a terrible blizzard in the west, where the train lost three in their miles. The wind was so strong and the drifting snow so heavy that it was almost impossible to make any headway against the blizzard waves. Here it was very clear and cold.

Cardinal Denounces Divorce.

Baltimore, Feb. 6.—The Cardinal of Baltimore spoke strongly against the evils of divorce, saying in part: "The Christian is the highest type of civilization and who can deny it?—then, it is not true that we are retrograde in our ideas of advancing our civilization. There is a social scourge blighting and destructive of family life more so than any other, and that is divorce. It is a social scourge blighting and destructive of family life more so than any other, and that is divorce. It is a social scourge blighting and destructive of family life more so than any other, and that is divorce."

Miss R. L. Fritz Champion Typist.

Miss R. L. Fritz champion typist of the world and holder of all of the important championship trophies for speed typewriting in America and Europe is in the city and will give exhibitions of speed writing for the benefit of students of stenography and shorthand interested.

Miss Fritz has for the past five years held the title of world's champion typist and during that time she has competed in thirty contests and has been successful in every one of them. She holds the American championship trophy, the world's trophy and the international trophy all of which she now holds permanently, having won three successive times.

Some of Miss Fritz records are really remarkable both for their speed and accuracy. Her best accuracy record is an average of 102 words a minute for one hour's work in which there were but three errors. During the hour she made 36,804 strokes of the typewriter. Her best speed record was an average of 103 words a minute for one hour after deducting five words for error made. She has made 265 words in a minute writing a familiar sentence in which the words were short.

During the five years she has been champion of the world Miss Fritz has toured in all parts of America and Europe, while in England she had the honor of giving an exhibition before King George and the Queen. She has made a tour of Canada giving demonstrations for the benefit of students of stenography and business men. After her lecture in Miss Fritz will go to Vancouver and Victoria from which she will return to Toronto.

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EVENTS TONIGHT

Mechanics' Hall—Regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council. The Canadian Company in London of a Mystery.

Empire Theatre—Summer's stock company in "A Woman of Mystery."

Lycium Theatre—Sherman's Musical Comedy Company in "The Merry Widow."

Edison Theatre—First Street and McArthur Theatre—Pantomime, continuous performance.

Hockey, Mercantile League—Exeter vs. Northern Dawks; Swift vs. Son-nerville.

Maple Leafs vs. Cubs, Olympic game at 8 o'clock.

Basketball—Y.M.C.A. at 8:15. Final basketball game in the school league between teams captained by John and John.

Curling—Draws at the Capital City and Granite rinks.

DAILY PASSENGER SERVICE TO EDSON

Will Be Inaugurated by the G.T.P.
In the Course of Another
Week or Two

Daily passenger trains will be running from Edmonton west to Edson, 130 miles west on the Grand Trunk Pacific within the next week or two. This is the unofficial announcement that has been made this week.

Since the time of the completion of the track to Edson, a tri-weekly mixed service has been in effect. So great has been the traffic that it has been decided to put on a daily service.

As soon as this daily service has been inaugurated, the road west will be taken over from the construction department, by the passenger department, which will have the passenger offices on Jasper avenue. The daily service it is expected will go into effect next week, and the trains will leave Edmonton from the C.N.R. depot on First street, at 6:45 every morning.

The track in such good condition now that the run through to Edson can be made in about six hours. The trains will leave London at 10:00 a.m.

Service Made of Edson.

A daily mixed service has been inaugurated between Edson and Prairie Creek, the end of the steel. Traffic on this portion of the road is particularly heavy, owing to the fact that supplies are now being shipped into the camps by the railway contractors.

PUBLICITY OFFICE AT GREAT FALLS

Hundreds of Farmers From Montana
Will Locate in Alberta
This Year

A government publicity office and information bureau for the province of Alberta, has been opened at Great Falls, Montana, by Colin B. McCutcheon, publicity commissioner, under the direction of Chief Publicity Commissioner Hotelicks.

Through this office it is the expectation of the publicity department that hundreds of settlers will be directed to Alberta from Montana and the neighboring states within the next few months.

Publicity Commissioner McCutcheon, who was formerly stationed at North Portal, Sask., went to Montana in view of the many hundreds of requests for information which came from farmers who said they were preparing to leave Montana for Alberta.

Many of these settlers will come to Alberta from Montana, will settle in the Edmonton district. A large quantity of literature has been sent to Great Falls for distribution.

EXPERT TYPIST HERE.

Will Give an Exhibition of Speed
Writing in the Bijou Theatre
Today

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WILL SETTLE DISPUTES BETWEEN TWO HOUSES

SPEECH FROM THRONE INDICATES THAT LORDS' POWERS
WILL BE CURTAILED—LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE INSURANCE FOR SICK AND UNEMPLOYED

London, Feb. 6.—The royal standard and the Union Jack of old England tugged and tore in the brisk wind across the spires of the houses of Parliament this morning, a silent token of the fact that they designated for the reassembling of Parliament has arrived. The usual crowds began to assemble outside the gates of Westminster Palace yard at an early hour, and by noon several thousand people were massed about the outer entrance to the legislative chamber. The ceremony of the opening of the session, which will be the royal procession, also attended by the large. Guardsmen, assisted by hundreds of police, kept the spectators back, but they had little to do.

In view of the stirring national issues which the speech from the Throne was bound to deal the picture was certainly a fine one. The royal procession was not attended with more glamour and splendor. The ceremony was in accordance with precedent. The procession to the chamber was of the same character as on similar occasions in the past, and within was seen the same state pageantry, historic dresses, and revival of ancient forms. After rolling, King George and Queen Mary entered the House of Lords and occupied their thrones, beneath a canopy, with the great officers of state clustered about them.

Directly the royal couple took their places the King said: "Pray be seated." The King then followed an interval while Black Rod summoned members of the House of Commons. Lord Leitchfield, Lord Chancellor, then approached the throne, and on bended knee handed his majesty a copy of the speech. The King then rose and read the speech in a loud, clear tone, amid intense silence.

The King's speech from the throne was brief. It opened with a filial reference to death of King Edward. The only reference to foreign affairs was in connection with the negotiations opened with Japan for new commercial treaty and an allusion to the situation in Persia over the disturbance of British trade routes. Interest was expressed in the approaching imperial conference, and the importance of legislative measures were mentioned specifically. "Proposals," said the King, "will be submitted without delay for settling the relations between the two houses of parliament with the object of securing an effective working constitution. Legislation would also be proposed to provide insurance against sickness and unemployment."

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CALGARY ATHLETICS ARE GETTING INTO BAD HOLE

Executive Will Likely Forbid Ringers Playing and Old Players Refuse to Rejoin Team—League Meeting on Feb. 8 at Red Deer—Athletics May be Put Out of the Running

As a result of the management of the Calgary Athletics taking on ringers the old players of the team will leave the line-up and not play again this season. It is likely that at the meeting of the league executive which is called for Wednesday, Feb. 8, the ringers will be ordered off the team. Then the Athletics will be practically out of the running.

Powell, Cain, Wee King and Dan McLeod have stated that they intend to cancel their contract with the Athletics on the ground that they have not been treated rightly.

This has arisen out of the playing of two ringers from Edmonton, also the playing of Pritchard and White of the Bankers, in their places. The boys state that they have done all they could for the Calgary team, and they do not think it was proper of the management to put other men in their places to play against them. Dan McLeod says that he will not play again, and the others have decided to act the same.

This means that the Calgary team may find, before the season is over that it is not the proper policy to turn down their own hard workers for what can only be termed ringers. If the league executive decides, on Tuesday, that no team can play anything but their own players, and to their interest to do his work in a clean-cut manner, instead of along lines that are in clear violation of the rules.

The hockey situation as it stands now is briefly as follows:

It is well known that the Calgary team brought ringers on to the team in the first place. The constitution as it is now printed, has no reference to residence, nor a rule prohibiting the jumping of players in the league. Dr. Gibson says that was an oversight, and that the clauses should be there, but through some carelessness they were omitted.

It is stated that at the meeting at Red Deer some wanted the clause left in prohibiting jumping in this league. Some wanted it eliminated. Some wanted the residence clause changed, but not to eliminate it. However, it was left to a committee, at which the secretary was not present. The other two members of the committee drew up the constitution, but, according to Doc Gibson, the most important item, regarding residence and league jumping, was overlooked. They submitted it to Caruthers, the secretary, and he said it was agreeable. Well, the constitution, as it stood, was printed. The clauses, of course, were not these prohibiting players

jumping, and the residence of players.

Then there is another story, from Steve Chaney, of the Marys. He states that he has the original copy of the constitution, which was made out by the committee, and he says that the clause regarding these important points was scratched out by some person or persons, before it ever reached the printer.

However, there has been one game played in the league in which ringers took part. Lacombe has taken advantage of the clauses being omitted, and Calgary has also done so. It is, therefore, necessary to have a stop put to the practice, and Dr. Gibson has called the above meeting to settle everything.

And now let us consider what teams are in the running for the championship, and what teams will be affected by any ruling the executive may make at its meeting on February 8 at Red Deer. The season has so far advanced that it is almost certain that the teams now leading their respective division will be the players off for the championship. Here in Edmonton the Deacons have the championship cinched. Taber has a perfectly secure hold on it in the south. In Calgary the race is between the St. Marys and the Athletics. They have an equal standing at the present time. The standing of the central division is as follows:

W. L. Pet.	
St. Mary's	2 1 666
Calgary	2 1 666
Didsbury	2 2 500
Lacombe	1 2 333

Stettler has dropped out. "The game which Calgary refused to play at Lacombe on January 30 is not included."

If Calgary defeats the St. Marys, it will push them ahead in the central division; but there is still a ringer to be made on the Lacombe-Calgary game which was not played, and if Lacombe is given that game, the St. Marys will lead the league.

There are two important matters to come before the meeting on Wednesday, February 8. First is the question of allowing these ringers to play the second, the settling of the Lacombe-Calgary game. If the executive decides that the ringers must not play, Calgary will be in a bad way. Their old players say they will not come back and the team will have to go without the new men. If the executive decides that the Lacombe-Calgary game should go to Lacombe, then Calgary is practically out of the running.

Carney wanted him for the Calgary team but neither is going to get him. Higher work for Gordon.

Deacon has still to get his pitching staff together. All the other positions on the team excepting first base are now filled with the very best of men. Some of the old slant artists may be back but it is not likely.

BASEBALL NOTES

Zack Miller has signed with Pittsburgh at a nice increase over last season's salary. Carigan, Gardner and Callins, of the Boston Red Sox, are holding out for more money.

The Providence Club of the Eastern league, has signed George Hill, who was with the Washington team a couple of seasons.

As the Giants have fourteen and the Cubs sixteen pitchers to try out they will be quite a bunch of pitchers to return to the big league.

"Duke" Farrell, right hander of the Yankees, is sweet on the chances of his proteges coupling the American league pennant.

Manager Jesse Burkett of the Worcester club is on the job building up another team of youngsters that will win the New England league pennant.

The St. Louis Americans have refused to waive on Tom Jones of Detroit and the chances are that Tom will perform once more with the Browns.

NEW BALL RULES TO BE DISCUSSED

Changes Proposed Will Level Pitchers' Box—Give Pass on Three Balls

Two new rules—one in regard to shaving the pitcher's box down to the level of the plate, and the other in regard to reducing the number of balls necessary for a pass to first base from four to three—are likely to come in for a lot of discussion on the part of the joint rules committee of the National and American leagues before another baseball season opens.

It will be observed that the first of the two rules mentioned, if passed, gives the batter an additional advantage; and the second if passed will give the pitcher an additional advantage. On the face of it, then, it might seem to many persons that the joint rules committee should be asked to pass both rules, but the committee is of the opinion that neither of them.

It is difficult to see why the pitcher's box should be allowed to be higher than the plate. It is easy enough to understand how this has come about, but it is surprising that there has not been a lot of wrangling over the matter before. On the face of it there is no more reason why the pitcher should be allowed to stand on a mound than the first baseman or any other player. That he does so has come about through various ground keepers—probably acting under instructions—gradually raising the level of the pitcher's box.

That a lifting of the level gives the pitcher an advantage to the twirler there can be no question. Of this advantage means more to some pitchers than it does to others. To the man who depends a great deal on speed and who uses a drop ball the difference in the height of the pitcher's box and the home plate means a whole lot. It does not mean much perhaps, to the man who depends mainly on control.

One time in Fresno with the Cubs during a training trip some years ago one of the Pacific Coast league teams—Tacoma—was there at the same time, and an exhibition game was arranged between the two. Orvie Overall with the Tacoma team at that time and was slated to pitch against the Cubs. When the teams took the field it was observed at once by the Chicagoans that the pitcher's box had been built up into a veritable hill. "When Overall climbed up on this and began shooting them down to the Chicago batters it was not hard to imagine how they may have looked when throwing his hammer from the clouds. A mighty roar went up from the Cubs, but the box was allowed to stand as it had been prepared."

On major league fields, of course, the work in building up the pitcher's box is not so crude. It is skillfully done, and one would hardly believe that the twirler is standing on a spot about two feet higher than the batter when both are in position. That this ball means a drop to advantage is easily seen.

As far as reducing the number of balls required to give a batsman his base is concerned there seems to be no loud call that it should be reduced to three. Often, especially at the beginning of the season, a pitcher has enough trouble holding down the number of passes he gives when he can waste four balls. Any argument advanced in favor of cutting the number of balls down to the mystic pass number appears weak when one considers that such a reduction is bound to lessen the chances for "out-circuiting," which is the brainy part of the contest between the batter and a pitcher.

With only three balls to use in trying to deceive the batter the pitcher will have a lot of increased mental work, and the batter a correspondingly less amount to do. This rule, as it exists is pretty good.

The meeting of the national committee at the Loughrey club near Cincinnati passed off pleasantly, we are informed. Gerry Herrmann was re-elected president and incidentally did the honors with a banquet, to a number of friends.

DEACONS VS. CASTOR

It will be a fast hockey match that will be played in the Thistle rink tomorrow night when the Deacons meet Castor in an exhibition game. Castor has a fast team as is well shown by the kind of game they have been playing in the south.

The Deacons will line up as usual. Shorty Campbell it is expected, will hold down cover point and the usual forward line will pile up the winning score.

CONNIE MACK

FOOLS MURPHY

How Famous Manager Slipped One Over on the President of the Club

President Charles Murphy of the Chicago Cubs, while the Athletics were playing the White Sox in Chicago last fall, took a trip to the Comiskey ball park to see what the Athletics were doing in the way of inside baseball. Murphy had heard considerable about the way Connie Mack handled his men, and "Chicago" Murphy thought he might pick up some useful knowledge to use in the coming series for the world's championship between the Cubs and the Athletics.

Murphy had been tipped off to the signal service Mack lashed to his men on the field by means of his cards, and he was prepared to note down every move Mack might make. Murphy was busy on the job until a play came up that caused him to beat it from the park.

Murphy was sitting with President John T. Brush of the Giants in the latter's box. The machine faced the Athletics' bench and the two could see Mack without attracting attention.

Murphy saw Connie Mack carelessly stroke his right cheek with the score card. Almost instantly Harry Davis left first base and consulted with Combs, who was in the box.

"We have that signal down," began Murphy to Brush.

There were Sox runners on second and first. They then saw Connie Mack tilt his straw hat slightly with the end of the programme.

"Wonder what that was for?" queried the Chicago magnate of the New York owner.

"Must have been signalling the pitcher," was the reply.

Just then the Sox batter cut loose a fast line drive at Eddie Collins. The second baseman grabbed it on the run, stepped and stationed second base, and completed a double play.

"Well, we caught that all right," laughed Murphy.

John T. Brush has a keen sense of humor. "Yes," he said. "Any time that Connie tilts his hat with his score card he is signalling the pitcher to make the batter hit into a double play."

Which is about as near as any one comes to reading Connie Mack's signals from the bench.

CALGARY MAY ALLOW BOUTS IN CITY

Should boxing bouts be held in the city limits? It is proposed to open up the matter of licensing boxing bouts in the city, and the preliminary arguments for and against were heard yesterday afternoon by Alderman Brocklebank introduced the subject by advocating the licensing of box bouts to be held under proper police supervision.

"We might as well face it honestly," he said. "They might as well be held in the city under proper supervision as just outside the city limits. The people must upon going to see them, be in the city limits. Women and children go to them. There were women and children at the one I saw on Labor day, for back as the old St. Louis Browns' four pointers were won in a row, Boston in the American League picked up a complete Detroit 22-0 thrashing and the Cubs have won four out of five. It is of course, true that Mack's team after winning in 1905 did not come back, but the wonder was that that team ever landed, for it was anything but a classy one, as its showing against the New York Giants last year proved. Nothing but a general breakdown of his forces can prevent Mack from having the winner or at least the runner-up."

The discussion was not pressed, but it will be when an application for a reduction in the first wrestling bout comes to be considered.

OLYMPICS SHOW NO ALTERATION

Miller Still Leads the Bunch in the Olympia League Rolling. Average 192 per Cent.

The averages of the Olympics apparently have not changed materially. Miller although he dropped off in the senior league, still maintains his high mark in the eight team league. The Capitals and Athletics are tied for first place in the standing. The averages are as follows:

Olympic League

Miller	1942	21	18	192.4
Simonton	1468	24	21	192.
Blackett	1499	24	22	187.1
Knott	1386	21	17	185.
Morris	12703	15	18	184.3
Gossnell	12736	15	21	182.4
King	12170	12	14	180.8
Smith	12683	15	20	178.
Masters	536	3	4	178.6
Gifford	3738	21	28	178.
Watson	3552	20	32	172.6
Grant	2895	15	26	173.
Belcher	3032	21	37	172.9
White	3112	18	31	172.8
West	3060	12	23	172.
Milling	3037	18	26	168.7
Harmen	3541	21	35	168.6
Burt	2263	16	34	164.5
Fraser	2245	15	33	164.4
Stark	11468	9	23	162.7
Serace	11389	9	24	160.9
Collins	669	6	15	160.
Moody	1358	21	41	164.4
Morgan	11498	12	28	158.7
Coombs	3766	24	51	158.1
Luce	2821	18	54	156.7
Smallman	1366	21	59	154.5
King	13425	21	59	154.5
Malwin	1885	21	54	153.3
McCallum	1221	21	54	153.3
Pickens	1382	9	14	153.5
MacKay	3603	20	52	153.1
Royds	416	6	21	152.6
Draper	2289	15	28	152.6
Gardner	1182	21	44	151.5
O'Meara	3179	21	59	150.
O'Mack	1127	21	54	148.3
Hart	267	18	51	148.3
Murry	1322	9	28	146.8
Andersen	3930	21	73	144.3
McLeod	852	6	18	142.
Chapman	408	3	12	142.

Olympic League Standing

Capitals	21	15	6	714
Athletics	21	15	6	714
Giants	21	11	10	523
Cubs	21	11	10	523
Wanderers	21	9	12	428
Wanderers	21	8	13	380
Olympics	21	8	13	380
I. H. C.	21	7	14	333

The bowling averages of the senior league are a little lower than a week ago, but are nevertheless good. Miller has fallen to third place and Blackett heads the class. They are as follows:

Senior League

Blackett	3484	21	181.9
Miller	3459	21	180.
Knott	2827	15	188.5
West	1674	9	186.
Morris	2298	15	183.8
Smith	3778	21	179.9
Gossnell	1666	9	178.4
Masters	335	3	178.3
Belcher	2128	12	177.3
Moody	2294	15	172.4
Serace	2574	15	171.6
Grant	3073	18	170.7
King	512	3	170.6
Gifford	1529	9	169.8
White	465	3	169.3
Watson	915	6	165.5

Senior League Standing

Vice	15	11	4	733
Thistle	21	11	10	523
Royals	21	9	12	423
Granites	21	8	13	383

There does not seem to be any need for admission of the Athletics to worry over their future because one team has made the discovery that championship teams seldom repeat. To begin with, this is hardly true, for as far back as the old St. Louis Browns' four pointers were won in a row, Boston in the American League picked up a complete Detroit 22-0 thrashing and the Cubs have won four out of five. It is of course, true that Mack's team after winning in 1905 did not come back, but the wonder was that that team ever landed, for it was anything but a classy one, as its showing against the New York Giants last year proved. Nothing but a general breakdown of his forces can prevent Mack from having the winner or at least the runner-up."

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Harry Davis, Sherwood Magee and Eddie Collins will be tendered a dinner by the Sporting Writers' association of Philadelphia on the night of February 30.

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Had the Dominion Government, previous to the time litigation was commenced by the province of Alberta against the C. P. R., passed an interpretation act, which said, in

PARLIAMENT SHOULD effect, that the agreement by which **INTERPRET TEN** C. P. R. land was exempted for 20 **PER CENT. CLAUSE** years, should be read to mean that the period dated from allotment, that would have been good law and would have been in accordance with the spirit of the agreement which was entered into between the people of Canada and the Canadian Pacific, and the land would now be taxable.

When the provinces were compelled to enter the courts and take their chances on the interpretation which the privy council would place on the agreement, they thereby were forced into the position that they must accept the court's interpretation as final.

Another clause in the C. P. R. agreement provides that when the dividend on C. P. R. stock reached to per cent. the government should have control of rates. The C. P. R. is this year paying to per cent., and the government now claims the right to regulate the rates. The C. P. R. does not admit the government's right to regulate the rates, but consents to its so doing.

The C. P. R. claims that while it is paying to per cent., that the ten per cent dividend cannot be taken to represent railway earnings, as a part of the revenue is from land sales, which it contends is not part and parcel of the earnings of the railway. Nevertheless it does not fight the government's regulation of rates, and the railway commission is now on the job, revising the rates on the main line.

The government is now in the position that it is doing something by consent of the company which it claims a right to do by law, but which right the company disputes. In other words, the company consents, without prejudice, to regulation.

Should the company at some future time undertake to dispute the government's right to regulate, the case would be the same as though no regulation had ever taken place.

In this respect the government is in the same position now with regard to rate regulation as it was before litigation was commenced with regard to exemption. There is not now, nor ever was, any doubt about the spirit of the agreement. But in the case of the exemption clause, as has been seen, the contract is so loose that the company's lawyers have been able to tear it to pieces before the courts. The parliament of the Dominion of Canada has the right to interpret its own act and declare that the company, having paid to per cent., the rates on the C. P. R. are now subject to regulation under the meaning of the contract.

If the government accepts the company's consent to regulate as satisfactory and waives the legal point the time may come when a different management will contest the legal point and a court decision may rob the Dominion of a right which is distinctly understood to exist under the spirit of the agreement.

This is a matter of such enormous importance to Western Canada that the prairie provinces cannot be satisfied with any arrangement except a final settlement by parliament of the meaning of the clause in point. The present session should not be allowed to close without such an interpreting act being put on the statutes.

Commencing with the opening of the forwarding season on the Grand Trunk Pacific, when fifteen or eighteen hundred freighting outfits will start hauling supplies from

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the head of steel westward into the mountains, Edmonton enters on a new era.

Heretofore, the sphere of this city's influence has been limited to the radius of a comparatively narrow circle of farming land on the prairies, and to the empire of fur in the north.

By the opening of the mountain country a new empire is added to Edmonton's domain, the inter-mountain empire between the Rockies and the Cascades. Geography and the natural grades and distances places this city absolutely within the sphere of the capital of Alberta, and Edmonton will have the additional advantage over any other competitor, that for two years at least there will be no other railway into the country except via Edmonton.

In this enormous region there is a diversity of resources which is certain to lead to the development of an enormous trade. The lumbering business alone of the upper Fraser River valley is due to become an industry of first magnitude and the mining of coal and precious metals will be sufficiently extensive to make the region between the Rockies and the Selkirk a hive of industry.

The business of the commercial institutions of the city of Edmonton is to carefully cultivate and cater to this trade. Handled properly it will mean enormous business for this city. The development of the Fraser River valley south from Tete Jaun Cache to Fort George, of the Columbia River valley south of Tete Jaun Cache to the Big Bend of the Columbia and of the Findlay River valley to the north should do for Edmonton what the development of the Yukon country did for Vancouver.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

February 6.
1664—Queen Ann of England born in Twickenham. Died in London, Aug. 1, 1714.
1730—Severe earthquake felt in New England.
1778—New York acceded to the Confederation.
1818—Bernadotte ascended the throne of Sweden as Charles John XIV.
1825—Rev. John Connolly, second Roman Catholic bishop of New York, died. Born in 1750.
1832—Gen. John B. Gordon, famous Confederate leader, born in Georgia. Died in Miami, Fla., Jan. 9, 1904.
1838—Sir Henry B. Irving, famous actor, born in Kenton, England. Died in London, Dec. 15, 1905.
1862—Fort Henry captured by the Union gunboats under Commodore Foote.
1878—Russians took possession of the fortifications of Constantinople.
1910—The French Socialist congress opened at Nimes.

"THIS IS MY BIRTHDAY."

Asher C. Hinds, who will take his seat in the Sixty-second Congress as representative from the First district of Maine, was born in Benton, Me., Feb. 6, 1864. After finishing his education he came to Portland, where he engaged in newspaper work. Here he came under the notice of the late Thomas B. Reed, when Mr. Reed was elected Speaker of the Fifty-first Congress he took Mr. Hinds to Washington as his secretary. Soon after coming to Washington Mr. Hinds appointed himself to the study of the complicated subject of parliamentary procedure. Soon afterward he was appointed "clerk of the speaker's desk." In this position he became almost indispensable, not only to Mr. Reed, but to every speaker of the house who succeeded him. Last fall Mr. Hinds was nominated for congress by the Republicans of the First Maine district and was elected by a good majority.

MINORITY REPORT
CENSURES TEACHERS
School Management Committee Submits Report on Board at Regular Meeting.

A report on the charges recently preferred against the principal of Norwood school and the mathematics master of the high school, was adopted by the school board on Saturday afternoon. The report practically clears the teachers of blame, while advising that corporal punishment is an unjust method of dealing with tardiness of pupils in arrival at school. The board was also informed that the mathematics master of the high school declared to have been trivial. A complaint that the pupils had been barred from his class for trivial offenses was disposed of by the statement that the principal of the school and the teacher failed to deal with the condition with sufficient promptitude and vigor.

The board recommends that in case of further complaints the teachers and pupils be given an opportunity to adjust difficulties before complaints are made public.

S. A. Gordon Barnes submitted a minority report expressing dissent from the majority of his colleagues. He thought irregularities of discipline had existed in the schools, and recommended that the principal of Norwood school be reduced to the position of grade teacher in some other school of the city as a means of punishing him for wounding children who came late. He advised that the mathematics master of the high school be severely reprimanded.

EDMONTON BUILDERS
MEET ON WEDNESDAY

When Question of Negotiations With Trades Unions of City Will Be Taken Up.

Consideration of the policy which they are to adopt towards trades unions during the coming year, and their general policy, will be considered by the general contractors' association of the Edmonton builders exchange at a meeting to be held Wednesday night, at which it is expected every member of the builders' exchange will be present.

The contractors have been holding meetings for the past few days, and it is expected that they will arrive at some important conclusions at Wednesday evening's session, which has an agreement with the exchange, which expires the first of May next, will, it is expected, come forward with a request to the exchange for a new agreement. This action it is understood is also being contemplated by other trades unions who have not a present agreement, or whose agreements expire this year.

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Speaking to The Capital this morning, a contractor stated that the outlook for the building year was particularly good, and that no trouble with any of the unions was anticipated.

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PLAYS DETECTIVE
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Geo. Warner and H. Scrovi. The two men were hailed before Inspector Raven on Thursday morning, and Warner was fined \$50 and costs. Scrovi pleaded that he did not know the contents of the trunk until after its shipment. He had ordered a supply of provisions from the Hudson's Bay Company in Edmonton, and had told the clerk of the company who packed the goods to put in a few whistles of whiskey for medicinal purposes, as the party intended to travel in the winter of the pass. Scrovi declared that such was in fact his intention and that he did not expect to find more than a very small number of bottles in the trunk. He was surprised to discover that his friend took along with him a whole trunk full of booze!

Scrovi was allowed to go with a warning. The contraband whiskey was intended for a point many miles west of Edmonton. The smugglers, however, scented off at Edmonton at the suggestion of the mounted policeman, and their arrest followed on Thursday morning.

Wm. J. Henry, of Stratford, was robbed of \$1,000 in Detroit.

The M.H.O. reported 315 cases of typhoid in Ottawa yesterday.



New York audience applauds frantically as violinist displays astonishing mastery of her instrument and nobility of interpretation—magnificence of her personality.

Kathleen Parlow, who but a few weeks ago demonstrated her unshakable right to be ranked with the foremost violinists of this country or of any other, gave further proof of her astonishing gifts in a recital at Mendelssohn Hall, New York, on Wednesday evening of last week. An audience of large size was enthusiastic from the very outset, and more than once it urged itself to the extent of applauding frantically as soon as the solo instrument had finished its part. Mr. Geo. H. Suckling expects that the large auditorium will be filled to its capacity, to hear our own brilliant Canadian girl.

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even the most serious-minded musicians must have felt inclined to leniency in this case. The brilliancy of Miss Parlow's playing had keyed her hearers to such a pitch that patience and decorum were simply out of the question.

Miss Parlow's program offered Paganini's concerto in D, Tartinini's Devil's Trill sonata, Bach's "Chaconne," a transcription of a Chopin nocturne, a Debussy miment and Sarasate's "Habanera." With encores the whole concert lasted almost two hours and you did not seem half long enough.

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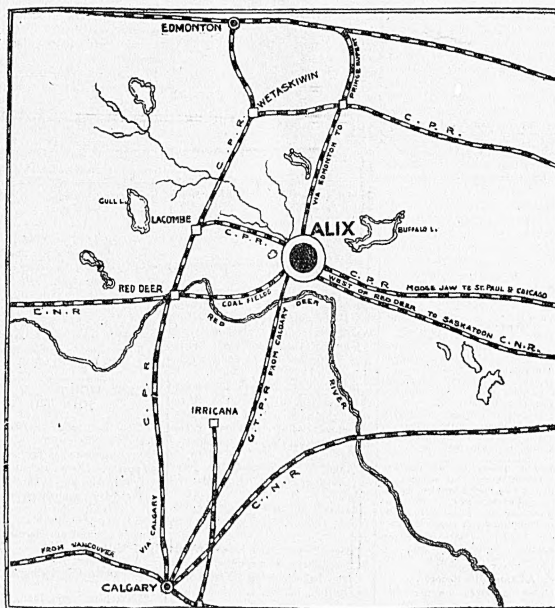
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ADDITIONAL SPORT

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JIM CORBETT'S FIGHT REVIEW

Old Timer Gives Expert Opinion on Things Pugilistic During Past Year

(By James J. Corbett)

Kaleigh, N.C., Jan. 29.—It is enough to make some of the old-timers turn over in their graves—these fabulous offers made to boxers of the modern school. A purse of \$100,000 for a fight to try to "punch back" and now an offer of a prize of half that amount for his successor to box Al Kaufman, the latest challenger of the title.

Harry Frazee, the well-known theatrical manager, and Jack Gleason, formerly associated with Tex Rickard are out again with an offer of a \$50,000 purse for these two gladiators to fight for. The battle-ground to be in London, and the date during coronation week in June. And our enterprising friend, Hugh McIntosh, is yet to be heard from. Possibly he will boost this offer, for the Australian promoter is no joke and will make as big a chance as any in the game.

Fifty thousand dollars must sound nice to Al Kaufman, who never before has had the good fortune to get a crack at the real big money, but to jump at the chance provided the negro can be induced to split with a reasonable winner's and loser's end. But there's the rub. Johnson is on Easy street at this particular moment, and the "poke" chops are more frequent than a few years ago, and he will hold out for a big guarantee, win or lose.

Kaufman should Have Voice

Kaufman will not exactly be tickled to death at a chance to work for nothing and to let the negro have all the gravy, and he will be in the right, too. Johnson's declaration that he will not fight anybody unless guaranteed a certain amount is not what the result of the affair, is an illustration of the unsportsmanlike character of the graduates of the new school of pugilism. The champion wants everything and can afford to wait until his terms are accepted to, as he knows full well how anxious the white sports are to get a fight, and that they will be willing to pay well for the privilege.

It is not right that the champion and his greed be tolerated, but it looks like we are up against it. He should be given the alternative of fighting on a winner-take-all basis, or with a winning and losing end, or of getting out of the game. But the promoters are also hungry for money, and often, in all probability, will get what he asks for in the long run. Besides, competition is great these times and promoters must come through with the coin to book the drawing cards.

Says Negro's Stand is Wrong
I do not blame a boxer for trying to get all the money he can, but there is a limit to all things, and Johnson's stand degrades all lovers of boxing. The sport is older than he and better men have respected and lived up to time honored rules of the division of prize money. The victor naturally is entitled to the big end. This is a comparatively new deal—this giving the champion all the cream, whether he wins or loses, and places the ancient sport on a commercial basis, which is no great boost for it.

When I boxed John L. Sullivan for the championship, the offer of a \$25,000 purse was looked upon as something extraordinary, but these days a champion wants more than that amount guaranteed him, even if he gets his black-knocked off, as the high brows have it. We also had a little side bet of \$10,000 and in real money, too. They are not going to risk their own good money, I guess not. We were satisfied to let the better man have the title and all the money and no fault found. The champions of today are a bunch of sure thing sports.

Plenty Money for "Pugs"
Business men keep on grumbling about hard times and reducing expenses, etc., but the financial straits have not been felt in pugilistic circles. The last week or two the wires and cables have fairly burned with offers to everybody of any prominence in the game. McIntosh has offered Tommy Burns a guarantee (there it is again) of \$12,500 to meet Bill Lang in London and the offer has made Burns change his mind on the subject of retiring from the arena. On top of this come an offer to Bat Nelson of \$1000 per round to box any man of his own choosing six rounds at Philadelphia, Jack O'Brien's new

club in the sleepy city. Or, if this does not appear liberal enough in the eyes of the debauched king of the lightweights, he may have 40 per cent. of the gross instead. But the Battle is in the Carnegie-Rockefeller class and the offer apparently has not tempted him. If I were a few years younger and the theatrical business was not so profitable I would take a chance myself.

The dope story will not down. It has become one of those "continued in our next" serial affairs. Barney Oldfield is the latest with a start, but it is the same old stuff he is using. Barney says that Jeffries told him he was suffering from drug poisoning and that mental or nervous collapse would not have affected him physically for weeks after the contest.

Who Did the Doping?
Maybe, but who doped the boot-maker? The big fellow absolves the members of his training camp from all blame in the "treachery" which, of course, is nice of him; and how could an outsider put the deadly drug into Jeff's food and drink? Mrs. Jeffries cooked the ex-champion's meals, and no one had any chance to do any "dirty work" in that department of the camp. And if Jeff had been slipped the dope for a month or so preceding the fight, as the story of Oldfield would lead us to believe, it seems to me that he ought to have been able to detect or at least suspect that all was not right.

Jeff was not himself, that is true—and he was in a state of collapse the day of the fight, but I do not believe he was drugged. I can not see where it was possible for any one to turn the trick, unless there was a traitor in the camp, and Jim says there was not. The public is growing rather tired of hearing this story over and over again and would like something more tangible in the way of proof.

Possibly Jeffries would like another try at his conqueror and all this talk about dope may be his preliminary press work. Oldfield, who has been roughing it with the big fellow says Jeff's physical condition is perfect and is urging the former champion's return to the ring.

Would Back Jeff Again

I do not think he could be persuaded to take another fight after the fiasco at Reno, but if he does and trains faithfully and properly he will find many backers among the shrewd followers of the sport who do not think a great deal of the vaunted skill of the present champion. Packey McFarland is loath to admit that he is no longer a lightweight, possibly per conditions as they exist in fact, he refuses to step into the next class and blossom forth as a welterweight. As the sheriff in Edmond Day's drama of the plains so earnestly and ruefully exclaims: "Nobody looks at me but they figure out his own chances among the welters. He's right among the despised and almost ignored division of pugilism at that."

Good Day for Welters

There was a time in the days of Dempsey and later, during the period when Tommy Ryan and Joe Wolcott ornamented the welterweight class that the people sat up and took notice when a couple of the boys would get together. These days they are overlooked. The welters hardly draw enough to pay the expenses of the preliminaries. There is no recognized champion of the class and the sports apparently do not care a continental whether there ever will be.

Wolcott Owner of Title
At present Wolcott has the title sewed up and there is not a chance in the world of a man of Packey's acknowledged ability getting a match with the champion without making ringside weight. I do not believe McFarland can do this and be strong, and Packey probably knows it well. Nevertheless, he will not admit the fact, and for financial reasons. He is a wise youngster and realizes that Packey, the welter, would not be the card that Packey, the lightweight, is just now.

In point of popularity the lightweight rank a close second to the heavies with the lovers of the game, and even have the call over the big fellows at times. This is due to the complexity of the present heavyweight champion as much as anything else, and also the scarcity of good material among the whites.

Ad Wolcott and Battling Nelson are having a war of words in the newspapers with honors about even. The public have taken the most prominent to date. He opened on the champion by calling him a few nice names and remarking that the Michigan never could fight away. But does not coach his effusion in lan-

O. C. SOCCER

London, (C.A.F.), Feb. 6.—Results of the second round of the English football cup are as follows:

Westham United 3; Preston North End 0.

Swindon Town 1, Woolwich Arsenal 0.

Crews 1, Grimsby Town 5.

Burnley 2, Barnsley 0.

Wolverhampton Wanderers 1, Manchester City 0.

Darlington 2, Bradford 1.

Chesterfield 1, Chelsea 4.

Bradford City 2, Norwich City 1.

Everton 2, Liverpool 1.

Newcastle United 2, Aston Villa 1.

Derby County 2, West Bromwich Albion 0.

Hull City 1, Oldham Athletic 0.

Blackburn Rovers 0; Tottenham Hotspur 0.

Brighton and Hove Albion 0; Coventry City 0.

Middlesbrough 0; Leicester Fosse 0.

League Games

First Division

Notts Forest 1, Sheffield 2.

Bristol City 1; Notts County 0.

Sunderland 4, Bury 1.

Second Division

Birmingham 2, Leeds City 1.

Huddersfield 2, Blackpool 2.

Gainsborough Trinity 0, Stockport county 0.

Southern League

New Brompton 0, Millwall Athletic 1.

Luton 3, Southampton 1.

Exeter City 3, Watford 1.

Bristol Rovers 0, Leiston 1.

The Canadian hockeyists who recently returned victorious from their tour of the continent found many startling and radical changes in the rules of play, and in the general hockey etiquette existing among the various teams with which they crossed sticks is not surprising as the game is practically in its infancy in England, and still in a condition of transition on the continent. The rules for off afterwards, so long as clear and out the net. It is, however, considered probable that the victory winning career of the Canadians and their methods of play will go far toward revolutionizing and popularizing the game throughout Europe.

WITH THE BOXERS

Kid Shea, the Boston welter, is booked to meet Bob Mohr in Milwaukee during the next month.

Joe Jeannette and George Cotton, will box a 10-round bout at Tom O'Brien's New York club, February 17.

Jack Johnson is charging Carl Morris, the Oklahoma "hope," with wanting him to fight. Jack better stay out of Oklahoma while he shoots this stuff.

Edward G. Barron, new president of the Eastern League, has accepted the invitation of Jack Dunn to witness the opening game at Baltimore.

Guage complimentary to his own prowess, for he can not have forgotten this little Ad who first made him lower his colors.

Ad Cites His Record

Wolcott counters on the once terrible Dane by calling attention to his own and Nelson's records, and asking for the deadly comparison. Ad claims that when he is in shape he is the original busy kid, and that he fought more battles in the last four years than the Battler did during his entire career. In closing he adds that Bat is dippy, and that no attention should be paid to this raving. Certainly the lightweight division furnishes the sporting writers with plenty of material for their stories.

Another "hope" up the spout, and the prayers of the Englishmen who thought they might have a word beater in their midst have gone for naught. Gunner Moir, who was made to wipe the sweat by every American who tried him and found him wanting, disposed of McIntosh's latest discovery in three rounds. Bombardier tells it no more as a possibility and Mac will have to string along with Bill Lang.

Here's a good one: Dan Morgan, manager of Knockout Brown, is only regretting being the kid's next not horn of Irish parents.

In explaining his boy's nationality on an inquirer, Dan said: "Sure, he's Dutch. He's Dutch, every bit of him, except that left hand and that's Irish."

FARGO WANTS IT

Fargo, N.D., Feb. 5.—There are bright prospects that the old Northern baseball league will be resurrected this year as a four club league consisting of Winnipeg, Brandon, Grand Forks and Fargo. This would make a compact league with no long jumps and the proposal has met with instant approval by Fargo fans.

Fargo has been without league baseball for two years now and the enthusiastic "bugs" are all pulling for the proposed league. The proposal came from Brandon which is decidedly tired of the Western Canada league with its long jumps and the small towns out to the far western end.

Lee Muckenfuss who has come to Fargo since the days of the Northern league two years ago is an experienced baseball man. His father was at one time manager of the St. Louis National league team and Muckenfuss says he is willing to back a Fargo team with a large bunch of coin and will undertake the job of managing a bunch of players for this city. He is already in touch with a number of good players and thinks the prospects are bright for the league.

Matt Cammitch, W. J. Price and Alex. Stern, the men who have backed Fargo baseball teams in the past are all ready to get into the game and boost, and the Fargo Moorhead Street Car Co., which owns the local grounds is also greatly interested and will come through with a bunch of coin as a help in getting a team for Fargo.

LIST OF FIGHTS OF 1961

Jack Johnson defeated Jim Jeffries at Reno, Nev., July 4, 15 rounds; knockout.

Ad. Wolgast, American lightweight champion, defeated Battling Nelson at Port Richmond, Cal., Feb. 22, 40 rounds; knockout.

Owen Moran defeated Battling Nelson at San Francisco, Nov. 26, 11 rounds; knockout.

Digger Stanley, Englishbantamweight champion, defeated Joe Bowker, at London, Eng., Oct. 17, 8 rounds; knockout.

Stanley Ketchel, and Sam Langford, Philadelphia, April 27, 6 rounds; no decision.

Digger Stanley, defeated Johnny Condon at London, Eng., Dec. 5, 20 rounds; decision.

Owen Moran and Abe Attell, Philadelphia, Nov. 9, 6 rounds; no decision.

Al Kaufman and Bill Lang, Philadelphia, Sept. 5, 6 rounds; no decision.

Freddie Welsh, English lightweight champion, defeated Jim Driscoll, English featherweight champion, Cardiff, Wales, Dec. 20, 10 rounds; foul.

Johnny Coulton and Frankie Barnes, New York, June 8, 10 rounds; no decision.

Jimmy Walsh, Americanbantamweight champion, defeated Pat Moore, Boston, May 31, 12 rounds; decision.

Jimmy Gardiner defeated Frank Klaus, Boston, Dec. 20, 12 rounds; decision.

Hugo Kelly defeated Joe Jeanette, Boston, Sept. 6, 15 rounds; decision.

Packey McFarland and Freddie Welsh, London, May 30, 20 rounds; draw.

Albert Delmont and Jimmy Walsh, Boston, March 15, 8 rounds; draw.

Matty Baldwin defeated Owen Moran, Boston, Jan. 25, 12 rounds; decision.

Jimmy Barry defeated Sandy Ferguson, New Orleans, Oct. 16, 14 rounds; knockout.

Billy Pyles defeated Jack (Twin) Sullivan, Boston, June 24, 12 rounds; decision.

Tommy Murphy defeated Owen Moran, San Francisco, Feb. 28, 20 rounds; decision.

Extensive figures and data collected by G. W. Axelson and reproduced in the Chicago Record-Herald declare Chicago to be the greatest sporting centre in the world, the home of every branch and phase of sport known and the one spot where every sort of sport known the world over has really made good. In all, the article says, fifty-eight sports are represented within the confines of the city, and as for followers of the different recreations they run up into the hundreds of thousands. It is in reality a sport census of the city, and while a few discrepancies are bound to occur the work is undoubtedly an exhaustive and extremely interesting one.

The San Juan Times says that Charles Ebbetts, who is now in Porto Rico, is planning to have his Brooklyn team (Los Porto Rico, Bermuda and Cuba after the close of the 1911 season.

WHAT MAJOR LEAGUES COST

It costs money to keep major league baseball teams recruited up to the standard demanded in the big show, says The Philadelphia Ledger. The fans who read during the summer and autumn concerning purchased and drafted players, who follow the work of the scouts and who keep a weather eye on the big sales by minor leagues probably have little idea of the vast sum involved.

The minor leagues received just \$70,350 from clubs in the National and American Leagues for the contracts of ball players during 1910. If each club gets two good players from this small army of recruits the average will be maintained. That would give the price of a competent major league player at \$10,000. The money paid for others than the thirty competent men is simply wasted in experimenting. Do you wonder that the magnate is a busy man?

The American League was more liberal by \$18,250 than the National League. The American seemed more anxious to get the cream of the minors, for \$127,400 was expended on purchased players compared with \$89,340 by the National. Of course, the best men are gobbled up before the drafting season begins. On the draft list the American spent \$37,800, while the National let loose \$16,700. This made the totals \$155,300 for the American and \$156,700 for the National.

Owner Charles Somers of the Cleveland Club was the real liberal spender. The man who chucked a lot of money into the American League when it started, and virtually made it successful, has not grown stingy when his own club hit the tobbogan. The Yaps let loose \$27,200 in cash for men outright and have optional agreements for \$12,000 in addition to a mere \$6,000 for drafted men, making the tidy total \$45,000 for added strength in one season.

The Chicago White Sox were liberal spenders. Comiskey made a lot of money with a very poor club this year, and in return set about building up, if such a thing is possible. He paid Secretary John Bruce of the National Commission just \$8,700 for players purchased outright, and owes \$24,000 on men he will try out on options. The Highlanders paid \$21,950 outright.

Detroit bought men to the extent of \$10,350, drafted \$1,300 and have \$1,500 on option, making a total of \$13,000. The Tiger proprietors were unfortunates in having some half-developed youngsters out on options giving the pick of ball clubs. In this way they pulled back a half team of men who would have cost from \$5,000 to \$10,000 if purchased in competition in the open market.

HELENA WONT JOIN THE LEAGUE

Butte, Mont., Feb. 5.—John J. McCloskey, so far the live wire of the Union association, is just as good a scrapper as he is a baseball man, and everybody who knows him knows it. Yesterday a well-known local baseball enthusiast, who is pretty well posted, reported to Mac after the former's return from Helena, "Better stay out of town, Mac."

"Why?" asked John.

"Because of that feeling about Lucas."

"Look here," said John, "Helena isn't going to either make or break this league, and I know all about that rubbish about a dislike for Lucas. Personally, I know it's a cock and bull story so far as the fans go, and the fans are the ones who pay their good money to go in at the gate to see baseball. If two or three have some personal dislike for Lucas I fail to see how that is going to break up the league. There are other towns left on the baseball map, aside from Helena, and while I have been standing out for that city right along, I am getting tired of all this talk."

"People in Helena want baseball, and I don't think they want the bush league variety either. Don't you think for a minute that they are not going to get in either, with men like Joyce, Reid and all the rest interested in the Union association?"

"If Helena doesn't want to join in, why we can very easily beat Ogden and several other cities. In fact, I have been standing out for Helena right along, but it's not the only city on the map."

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weight under his management by planning to have his Brooklyn team (Los Porto Rico, Bermuda and Cuba after the close of the 1911 season.

THINK THIS OVER

FIVE years ago Edmonton was a city of less than 10,000 people. The total assessed valuation was less than \$10,000,000. Lots on 1st St. in Norwood which are now selling for \$1200 to \$2000 were then offered for \$120 per lot, \$10 down and \$10 per month. We sold those lots and we advised our clients to buy. Because we knew the city was going to grow and that they could not fail to make money. Everyone who took our advice realized handsome profits.

Note what happened in the other subdivisions. Lots on Alberta Avenue in Delton which were then selling for \$125 are now bringing from \$600 to \$800 and are in great demand at that. Lots in Santa Rosa which were originally offered at \$120 have since been sold for \$300 to \$800. Lots in Dwyer, Eastwood, New Delton and Mount Lawn have trebled in value in less than five years. Lots in the Belvedere subdivision, which we sold less than a year ago, have already shown an appreciation of 50 per cent. and in some cases 100 per cent. We advised our clients to buy Belvedere and all who followed our advice made money.

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